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TOPIC Soviet Tank Repair Shop at Kirchmooser

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REMARKS

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1. Between 19 November 1951 and 26 January 1952, the following numbers of tanks were observed at the Soviet tank repair shop at Kirchmooser:

Date	Location	Number of tanks
26 November 1951	Parking Lot No I	18
	Parking Lot No II	6
	Parking Lot No III	7
	in front of the locomotive shed	11
	in the locomotive shed	16
	in the main workshop	34
12 December 1951	Parking Lot No I	19
	Parking Lot No II	2
	Parking Lot No III	7
	in front of the locomotive shed	10
	in the locomotive shed	17
	in the main workhall	32
21 December 1951	Parking Lot No I	8
	Parking Lot No III	11
	in front of the locomotive shed	8
	in the main workshop	39
	in the locomotive shed	14
5 January 1952	Parking Lot No I	18
	Parking Lot No II	5
	Parking Lot No III	12
	in front of the locomotive shed	16
	in the locomotive shed	17
	in the main workshop	45
18 January 1952	in the main workshop	51

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Date	Location	Number of tanks
26 January 1952	Parking Lot No I	31
	Parking Lot No II	9
	in front of the locomotive shed	2
	in the main workshop	38

the tanks are not assigned a specific parking lot. However, the tanks in the locomotive shed were apparently always the tanks which had newly arrived and which were greased there. All tanks were of type JS-3, as was previously observed. the tank guns were 122-mm, *

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2. Shipments. Incoming tanks.

Date	Number of tanks
23 November 1951	10
27 November 1951	5
22 December 1951	7
2 January 1952	20
5 January 1952	9
7 January 1952	5

Outgoing tanks.

23 November 1951	9
24 November 1951	1
4 December 1951	2
10 December 1951	4
12 December 1951	4
15 December 1951	5
17 December 1951	4
21 December 1951	3
8 January 1952	5
14 January 1952	2

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The list of incoming and outgoing tanks is incomplete. *

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4. The process of dismantling and assembling at the main workshop was slightly changed after large-scale technical improvements were done to the assembly line. One of the improvements was that the tank hulls in need of repair were placed on revolving stands. *

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6. Compared with the last report, no changes were observed regarding the occupation of Quarters Nos I and II. Quarters No III were occupied by 610 troops. The number of personnel billeted in Quarters Nos IV and V could not be determined. Quarters No V has billeted officers since 24 December. Regular duty was performed by the troops working in the main workshop, the repair shops and the locomotive shed. The work in the main workshop and the repair shops was done in two shifts. The first shift began at 8 a.m. and ended at 6 p.m. and the second shift began at 8 p.m. and ended at 6 a.m. ***

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25X1 * [] Comment. The 80 to 100 tanks observed at the Soviet tank repair shop of the
 25X1 GORU, [] at Kirchmoosor, are indicative of the importance and high
 capacity of the repair shop. [] 25X1
 enlargement work at the repair shop. The rate of incoming and outgoing tanks
 indicates that, at least, 1 tank per day leaves the repair shop after being
 completely overhauled. Improvements in apparatus and installations were regularly
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 25X1 ** [] Comment. The vehicles observed belong to components of the GORU, the
 Third Shock Army, the Third Gds Mecz Army, and the SCC.
 25X1 *** [] Comment. On the basis of the present and a previous report, it is concluded
 that one ordnance battalion of about 800 troops is quartered at the shop. It is
 of interest that the work is done in day and night shifts. [] 25X1
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